General Information About External Con-nect Nodes

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Overview

Mail can be sent to users at a remote Con-nect via an external mail node. These nodes are maintained with the External Mail Nodes function (how to modify, display and delete external Con-nect nodes, see *External Mail Nodes*).
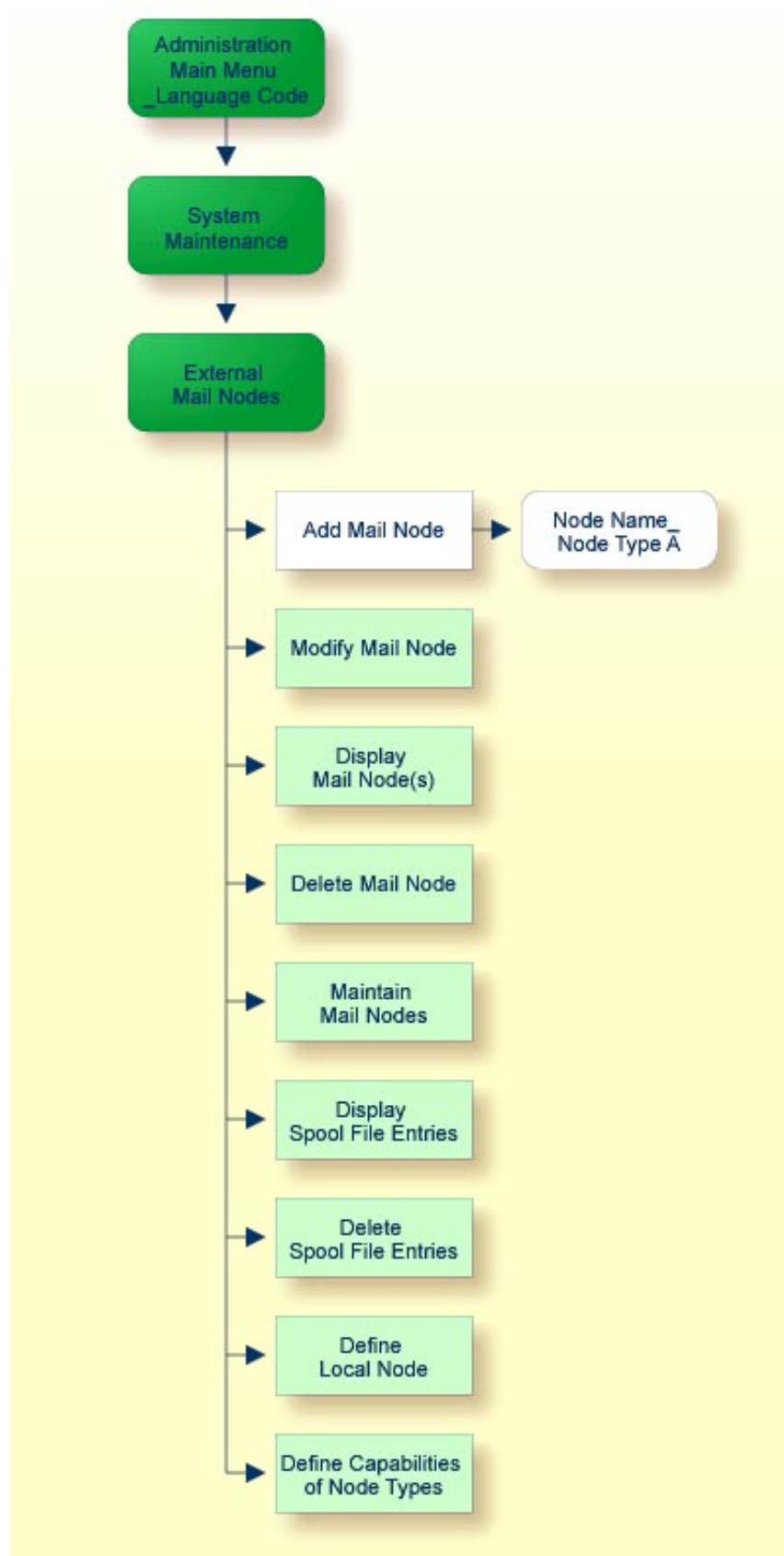
Note:
During the transmission of transport service items records are written to the spool file. These records must be deleted from the spool file on a regular basis. For further information, see *Delete Spool File Entries*.

Users need not take any special action when sending mail to an external Con-nect node. The same objects can be sent as within local Con-nect .

Incoming messages (sent via the spool file) that cannot be distributed due to incomplete or incorrect address information, will be placed in cabinet SYSCNT. You can specify another cabinet for this purpose using the program X-0INIT, see *X-0INIT - Multi-node/Driver Start Program.*

Navigating Through the External Mail Node Functions

The following diagram shows the path you must take to add external Con-nect nodes. The items which consist of functions applicable to all node types are shown in the light green boxes. See *External Mail Nodes*.

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┌──────────────────────┐
│    Administration     │
│      Main Menu        │
│   _Language Code      │
└──────────┬───────────┘
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│       System         │
│     Maintenance       │
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│      External        │
│     Mail Nodes       │
└──────────┬───────────┘
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           │    ┌──────────────────┐      ┌─────────────────┐
           ├───▶│  Add Mail Node   │────▶ │  Node Name_     │
           │    └──────────────────┘      │  Node Type Ā    │
           │                              └─────────────────┘
           │    ┌──────────────────┐
           ├───▶│ Modify Mail Node │
           │    └──────────────────┘
           │    ┌──────────────────┐
           ├───▶│     Display      │
           │    │  Mail Node(s)    │
           │    └──────────────────┘
           │    ┌──────────────────┐
           ├───▶│ Delete Mail Node │
           │    └──────────────────┘
           │    ┌──────────────────┐
           ├───▶│     Maintain     │
           │    │   Mail Nodes     │
           │    └──────────────────┘
           │    ┌──────────────────┐
           ├───▶│     Display      │
           │    │ Spool File Entries│
           │    └──────────────────┘
           │    ┌──────────────────┐
           ├───▶│     Delete       │
           │    │ Spool File Entries│
           │    └──────────────────┘
           │    ┌──────────────────┐
           ├───▶│     Define       │
           │    │   Local Node     │
           │    └──────────────────┘
           │    ┌──────────────────┐
           └───▶│ Define Capabilities│
                │  of Node Types   │
                └──────────────────┘
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External Mail Node Screen

All functions which can be performed within External Mail Nodes are shown on the "Administration - External Mail Node" screen.

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  9:13               * * *  C O N - N E C T  3  * * *              27.Aug.02
 Cabinet LS          Administration - External Mail Nodes            A06740

 Select a Function:      _ Add Mail Node
                         _ Modify Mail Node

                         _ Display Mail Node(s)
                         _ Delete Mail Node

                         _ Maintain Mail Nodes
                         _ Display Spool File Entries
                         _ Delete Spool File Entries

                         _ Define Local Node
                         _ Define Capabilities of Node Types

                         _ Return to Menu

        Mail Node/Type  _____


 Enter-PF1---PF2---PF3---PF4---PF5---PF6---PF7---PF8---PF9---PF10--PF11--PF12---
      Help  Menu  Quit  Add   Modif Displ Delet Maint DisSp DelSp Local Cap
 Mark one item from the list above
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To perform one of the External Mail Nodes functions, either mark it with any character and press ENTER, or press the PF-key which is assigned to that function. The screen for the function is then displayed.